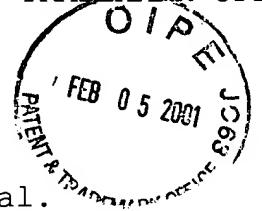


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Sir:

Transmitted herewith: [X] A Reply to Notice to Comply With Sequence Requirements; [X] a copy of the Notice to Comply; [X] a Statement Regarding Computer Readable Form; [X] a Statement In Support of Computer Readable Form to be filed in the above-identified patent application.

FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

[X] A fee for additional claims is not required.  
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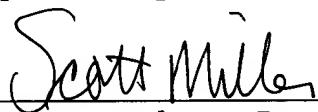
ADDITIONAL FEES

The following extension is applicable to the Response filed herewith;  \$55.00 extension fee for response within first month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);  \$195.00 extension fee for response within second month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);  \$445.00 extension fee for response within third month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);  \$695.00 extension fee for response within fourth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a);  \$945.00 extension fee for response within fifth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

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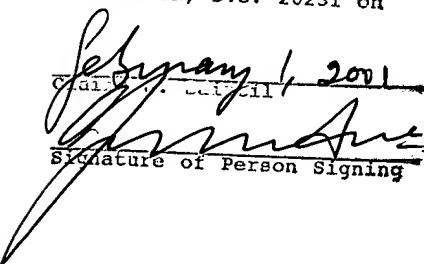
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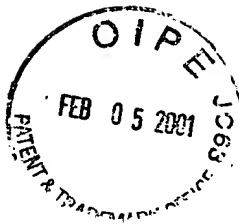
REPLY TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS

Sir:

This responds to the January 10, 2001 Notice to Comply with Sequence Requirements in the above-identified application.

Upon receiving the Notice, applicants contacted the Initial Patent Examination Division and were told that the Computer Readable Form was missing from the application. In response to the Notice, applicants hereby submit the following:

1. A copy of the March 3, 2000 Notice to Comply with Requirements;



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2. A statement which indicates that the Computer Readable Form was filed in corresponding United States Application No. 07/750,644 and further requests use of that Computer Readable Form in the instant application;

3. A statement indicating that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same.

#### CONCLUSION

Applicants request favorable consideration and early allowance of the pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,

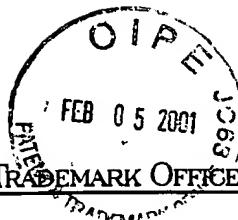
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DISCLOSURES**

Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file the items indicated below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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## CORRECTION COVER LETTER



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## COVER LETTER FOR CORRECTION OF PREVIOUS NOTICE

The Notice mailed on 10/23/2000 was sent in error and is hereby withdrawn. A corrected Notice is enclosed. The time period for reply runs from the mail date of the corrected Notice. We apologize for any inconvenience this caused.

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